

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

10th April, 2019

A meeting of the Cabinet was held at the Town Hall, Nuneaton, on Wednesday, 10th April, 2019.

Present

Councillor J.A. Jackson	(Finance and Civic Affairs (Leader))
Councillor J. Beaumont	(Housing, Health and Communities)
Councillor J. Sheppard	(Central Services and Refuse)
Councillor N.J.P Phillips	(Planning and Development)

Apologies:

Councillor I. Lloyd	(Arts, Leisure & Economic Development (Deputy Leader))
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CB71 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th March, 2019 be approved and signed by the Chair.

CB72 **Declarations of Interest**

The Declarations of Interest for this meeting are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes.

CB73 **The Allocation of Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Rough Sleeper Initiative (RSI) Funding**

The Director – Housing, Communities and Economic Development submitted a report seeking Cabinet approval for a proposal to spend a Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government grant (MHCLG) funding allocation to reduce rough sleeping in the Borough.

The MHCLG funding had been awarded to enable the Council to procure a specialist support service provider, with expertise in working with homeless individuals that are, or who are at risk of, rough sleeping and who have complex support needs.

RESOLVED that

- a) the proposal, as detailed in the body of the report, be approved;
- b) virements to establish income and expenditure budgets of £150k within the Housing, Health and Communities portfolio, be approved;
- c) an exemption from Contract Procedure Rules be approved to enable the contract to be awarded on the basis of a single quote due to the timescales involved to comply with grant conditions and unique supply; and

- d) due to the timescales involved for awarding the contract and in order to comply with grant conditions and timeframes, this report not be subject to call-in procedures as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

Speakers: Councillor K. Kondakor

Options

To reject the proposal and decline the funding from the MHCLG – or return it if already received pending the Cabinet decision.

Reasons

The use of one of our existing homeless hostels, to provide supported accommodation for rough sleepers, or those at risk of rough sleeping, where they can receive personalised support in order to be able to move on in to independent accommodation, successfully, is to be welcomed as a service provision currently unavailable in our Borough.

CB74 **Borough Plan – Statements of Common Ground with Woodlands Action Group**

The Director – Planning and Public Protection submitted a report requesting Cabinet consider directing officers to draw up a Statement of Common Ground with the Woodlands Action Group on the Borough Local Plan allocation HSG4.

The Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development informed Cabinet that the Planning Inspector had concluded that, subject to the inclusion of the Main Modifications recommended by him, Nuneaton and Bedworth's Borough Plan and its Appendices, satisfies the requirements of Section 20 (5) of the 2004 and meets the criteria for soundness set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. Therefore the Borough Plan as modified would now be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Panel before being reported to Full Council at the earliest opportunity.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Woodland Action Group be offered the opportunity to agree a factual Statement of Common Ground with the Council as described in the report; and
- b) the Leader of the Council thank all Council Officers involved in the Local Plan and also the Borough residents, especially the 4,000 people who participated in the consultation and 6,000 people who signed the petition.

Speakers: Councillor K. Evans
Mr K. Mayer
Councillor K. Kondakor

Options:

To prepare a Statement of Common Ground.

Reasons:

Late submission of evidence not allowed.

CB75 Timetable of Meetings 2019/20 and 2020/21

The Director – Arts, Leisure and Democracy submitted a report seeking Cabinet’s approval of the Timetable of Meetings for Council, Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panels for 2019/20, and a provisional Timetable of Meetings for 2020/21, as set out in Appendix A and B of the report.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the timetable of meetings for Cabinet, Committees and Overview and Scrutiny panels for 2019/20 and provisional timetable for 2020/21 be approved, as amended;
- (b) the report be not subject to call in because of the need to have the timetable for 2019/20 in place by May 2019;
- (c) delegated powers be granted to the Director – Arts, Leisure and Democracy, in consultation with the relevant chair, to change meetings if, for unforeseen reasons, it becomes necessary to amend a date; and
- (d) the timetable for 2019/20 and amended provisional timetable for 2020/21 in respect of Council, committees and overview and scrutiny panels, as amended, be referred to Council for consideration and approval.

Speakers: Councillor K. Kondakor

Options:

Not to approve the timetables.

Reasons:

To produce a timetable of meetings for 2019/20 and a provisional timetable of meetings for 2020/21.

CB76 Exclusion of the Public and Press

RESOLVED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraph (iii) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

CB77 Sub-Regional Materials Recycling Facility

The Executive Director – Operations, submitted a report to seek Cabinet approval for Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council to become ‘a Partner Council’ in a project to deliver a local authority owned and operated Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) within the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire area, designed to process recyclable material collected across the sub-region and beyond.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Borough Council commit to becoming a Partner Council in the proposed new local authority owned and operated Sub Regional MRF on the terms outlined in Section 4 and set out in more detail in Appendix 1 of the report;
- b) a virement of £100,000 be approved in the Central Services and Refuse Portfolio to contribute to the MRF Feasibility Fund to secure Partner Council status, funded from the Council’s Invest to Save earmarked reserve; and
- c) due to the need to be able to formally confirm as quickly as possible to Coventry City Council and other Partner Councils the Borough Council’s decision to become a Partner Council in the in the new Sub Regional MRF, this matter be marked “not for call in”.

Speakers: Councillor K. Kondakor

Options:

Not to approve the recommendations

Reasons:

Becoming a Partner Council in the proposed new local authority owned and operated Sub Regional MRF will allow the Borough Council to make substantial annual operational savings on a statutory service; realise an income from dividend payments and be able to be part of the governing body of the proposed facility.

Chair

PUBLICATION DATE: 15th April, 2019

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE: 23rd April, 2019

Cabinet - Schedule of Declarations of Interests

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
	General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments
	J. Beaumont		Board member of Bulkington Community Library CIC in addition to an unpaid Manager of the library. Board member of Bulkington Village Centre	
	J. Jackson	Any matter relating to the employment policies and procedures of Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council or any matter relating to the contractual arrangements with Sport & Leisure Management Ltd.		Dispensation to speak and vote on matters that do not relate specifically to her husband's contract of employment

	J. Jackson		Non-Executive Director with Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Limited	Dispensation to speak & vote
	J. Sheppard		Partnership member of the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local.	
	J. Sheppard		Director of Wembrook Community Centre.	Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of Wembrook Community Centre
	J. Sheppard		Management Committee Member Mental Health Drop in	